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November 21, 2014

To:

Supervisor Don Knabe, Chairman

Supervisor Gloria Molina

Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich

From:

William T Fujioka

Chief Executive Officer

FOREIGN CONSULATE IDENTIFICATION CARD (FCIC) PROGRAM – REQUEST TO APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF THE PERUVIAN NATIONAL IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENT AS VALID IDENTIFICATION BY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS

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Pursuant to Board Policy No. 3.050, I would like to approve acceptance of the Peruvian Document of National Identification (DNI) as valid identification for identification purposes only by County departments, if this meets with your approval.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Program was established to allow County departments to accept a foreign consulate identification card (FCIC) as a form of valid identification. An FCIC is used only for personal identification purposes. It is not considered proof of legal residence nor does it extend any benefits to the holder which would require legal residency.

On June 11, 2002, your Board authorized the County of Los Angeles to accept the Matricula Consular, an FCIC issued by the Consulate of Mexico, as a form of identification. The FCIC for the Consulate of Argentina was accepted into the Program on August 1, 2003, and the FCIC for the Consulate of Korea was accepted into the Program on May 19, 2006. The Chief Executive Officer is delegated the authority to approve acceptance of a consulate's FCIC upon notification to your Board, if the FCIC meets the criteria as set forth in the Policy.

# THE PERUVIAN DOCUMENT OF NATIONAL IDENTIFICATION

The Peruvian DNI meets all requirements of Foreign Consulate Identification Cards now approved for acceptance as valid identification. It includes on its face a photograph of the person, the person's date of birth, and current address.

The holder of a DNI is required to provide reliable identifying information in order to obtain it. Since 1998 the DNI has become the only official document identifying a person as a Peruvian citizen. The National Register of Identification and Civil status is in charge of issuing and controlling the DNI. A DNI is required identification to receive a Peruvian passport. All persons born since 1998 receive a DNI at birth, analogous to Social Security numbers in the United States.

The DNI contains numerous security features, including two different iridescent security bands, a watermark, and the person's fingerprint, to guard against fraud and counterfeit reproduction.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attached are the following documents: 1) a letter from the Consul General of Peru in Los Angeles to the Office of Protocol, asking for the acceptance of Peruvian DNIs as a form of identification for accessing Los Angeles County Services; 2) a copy of Board of Supervisors policy #3.050, which establishes a County policy to accept foreign consulate identification cards as valid photo identification for County services and programs; and 3) a copy of a canceled Peruvian DNI.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please have your staff contact Ryan Alsop at (213) 974-1100 (ralsop@ceo.lacounty.gov) or Lourdes Saab at (213) 974-1307 (<u>Isaab@ceo.lacounty.gov</u>).

If we are not informed of any objections from you by December 5, 2014, we will proceed to include the Peruvian DNI in the FCIC program.

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#### Attachments

c: Executive Office, Board of Supervisors Office of the County Counsel



Los Angeles, April, 2014

Mrs. Lourdes Saab
Deputy Chief of Protocol
County of Los Angeles
500 West Temple Street
Room 375
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Mrs. Saab:

I am addressing you in this opportunity regarding the possibility of accepting the Peruvian citizens the use of the Peruvian National Identity Document (DNI) as form of identification for accessing Los Angeles County Services.

To identify ourselves as Peruvian citizens, we rely on a Document of National Identity (DNI) which has all the security standards needed for identification such as fingerprint and signature and has already been presented to members of the DMV from Sacramento to be analyzed. They visited this Consulate General to see sample profiles, including all documents offered at this Consulate, physical documents, the security features they contain and information relating to verification-translation services that are currently offered at these offices.

Enclosed I am sending descriptions for the DNI, legal and technical information and four physical documents; two of them belonged to people under 60 years of age and the other two to people over 60 years; in this case the DNI does not expire for consideration to people over that age.

The recognition of the DNI as form of identification would be greatly appreciated.

Best regards.

Ailiana Cino Ambassador

Consul General of Peru





Policy #:	Title:	Effective Date:
3.050	Identification Cards	06/11/02

#### **PURPOSE**

Establishes a County policy to accept foreign consulate identifications cards as valid photo identification for County services/programs.

#### REFERENCE

June 11, 2002 Board Order, <u>Synopsis 90</u> January 14, 2003 Board Order, <u>Synopsis 56</u> February 8, 2005 <u>Board Order 14</u>

#### **POLICY**

- When members of the public are required to provide identification, County departments are authorized to accept as valid identification a photo identification card issued by the Consulate of Mexico known as the Matricula Consular Identification Card.
- 2) The Chief Executive Officer is delegated the authority to approve acceptance of other foreign consulate identification cards after notifying the Board of Supervisors, if the card meets the following requirements:
  - a) The card includes on its face a photograph of the person, the person's date of birth, height and weight, and current address;
  - b) The applicant was required to provide reliable identifying information in order to obtain the card; such as a passport, birth certificate, or other document acceptable to the CEO; and

certificate, or other document acceptable to the CEO; and

- c) The card has features reasonably designed to protect against fraud and counterfeit reproduction.
- 3) Consistent with No. 2 above, as of March 2009, the CEO has approved acceptance of identification cards from the consulates of Argentina and the Republic of Korea.
- 4) The CEO will notify the Board of all applications of foreign consulate identification cards deemed as satisfying requirements of this Policy, and provide Board members with adequate time to place the matter on a Board Agenda if so desired.
- 5) The CEO will compile and make readily available to County departments a list of the identification cards that meet the requirements established by this Policy.
- In December of each year, the CEO shall provide the Board with an annual review of the use of consulate cards by departments, including training provided and information on any operational issues. The initial annual review shall address the issue of the appropriateness and feasibility of conducting background checks and/or obtaining fingerprints along with the issuance of consulate cards.
- 7) The CEO may deny acceptance of previously authorized or proposed consulate cards otherwise meeting requirements based on security considerations.
- 8) A County accepted foreign consulate identification card is to be used for identification purposes only and shall not be accepted as proof of legal residency.
- 9) The Policy to accept foreign consulate cards does not apply under circumstances where (1) a Federal or State statute, administrative regulation or directive, or court decision requires that County departments request different identification, (2) a Federal or State statute or administrative regulation or directive pre-empts local regulation of identification requirements, or (3) the County would be unable to comply with a condition imposed by funding source, which

would cause the County to lose funds from that source.

10) No County department is required to accept a foreign consulate identification card if it has reasonable grounds for determining that the identification card provided by an individual is counterfeit, altered, improperly issued to the cardholder, or otherwise not accurate identification. At the direction of the CEO the office of Protocol will work with the consulate of Mexico, Argentina and the Republic of Korea to establish a formal process by which a department may authenticate any questionable identification cards submitted during workday, weekend, or after hours.

#### RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT

The Chief Executive Office

## DATE ISSUED/SUNSET DATE

Issue Date: June 11, 2002 Reissue Date: January 14, 2003 Reissue Date: February 8, 2005 Review Date: April 16, 2009 Review Date: February 28, 2013 Review Date: October 15, 2014 Sunset Review Date: January 14, 2003 Sunset Review Date: February 8, 2005 Sunset Review Date: February 8, 2009 Sunset Review Date: March 31, 2013 Sunset Review Date: March 31, 2017 Sunset Review Date: March 31, 2017



# Attachment 3



